

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. - 7. (canceled).

8. (new): A computer program product having a computer readable medium with a printer operation guide program for enabling a computer to perform the steps comprising:
monitoring a status information sent from a printer;
determining whether or not a cartridge for printing has been attached to the printer; and
enabling a button for advancing process to be clicked by a user if it is determined the cartridge has been attached to the printer.

9. (new): The computer program product according to the claim 1, wherein if it is determined that there is some error in the attachment of the cartridge, the button for advancing process is not enabled to be clicked and then, an image to advise the user to check the attachment of the cartridge is displayed.

10. (new): The computer program product according to the claim 2, wherein a predetermined time-out period is set, and the image to advise the user to check the attachment of the cartridge is displayed after the time-out has occurred.

11. (new): The computer program product according to the claim 1, wherein the status information sent from the printer is based on a sensor output from a sensor which detects whether the cartridge has been attached or not.

12. (new): A printer operation guide method comprising:
monitoring a status information sent from a printer;
determining whether or not a cartridge for printing has been attached to the printer; and
enabling to receive an instruction from a user to advance process if it is determined the
cartridge has been attached to the printer.

13. (new): A printer operation guide apparatus comprising:
a monitor which monitors a status information sent from a printer;
a determiner which determines whether or not a cartridge for printing has been attached
to the printer; and
an instruction receiver which enables to receive an instruction from a user to advance
process if it is determined the cartridge has been attached to the printer.